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## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 3 as follows:

1 - 2. (Canceled).

3. (Currently Amended): A curing agent composition <u>for two-pack type curable composition</u> <u>use</u>, which comprises a hydrolyzable silyl group-containing compound (a), a non-phthalic acid ester based plasticizer (b) having no phthalic acid ester structure in its molecule, and a bivalent tin based curing catalyst (c),

\_\_\_\_\_wherein at least one species of the hydrolyzable silyl group-containing compound (a) is an aminoalkyl group-containing silane compound (e), and wherein a curable organic polymer (d) having in its molecule a functional group crosslinkable by a reaction catalyzed by the bivalent tin based curing catalyst (c) is not contained.

- 4. (Previously Presented): The curing agent composition according to claim 3, wherein the non-phthalic acid ester based plasticizer (b) is at least one compound selected from the group consisting of aliphatic dibasic acid esters, glycol esters, aliphatic esters, phosphoric acid esters, epoxy plasticizers, ester based plasticizers, polyether based plasticizers, polystyrenes, hydrocarbon based plasticizers, butadiene-acrylonitrile copolymers and chlorinated paraffins.
- 5. (Previously Presented): The curing agent composition according to claim 3, wherein the non-phthalic acid ester based plasticizer (b) is at least one compound selected from the group

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consisting of polyether based plasticizers and hydrocarbon based plasticizers.

6. (Previously Presented): The curing agent composition according to claim 3, wherein the

bivalent tin based curing catalyst (c) is at least one species selected from the group consisting of tin

octylate, tin naphthenate, tin stearate and tin Versatate.

7. (Previously Presented): A two-pack type curable composition comprising as the first part

a base resin composition (A) which comprises (d) a curable organic polymer having in its molecule

a functional group that is crosslinkable in the presence of a bivalent tin based curing catalyst, (f) an

epoxy group-containing silane compound and (g) an epoxy compound; the second part being a

curing agent composition (B) comprising (a) a hydrolyzable silyl group-containing compound, (b)

a non-phthalic acid ester-based plasticizer and (c) a bivalent tin curing catalyst.

8. (Original): The two-pack type curable composition according to claim 7, wherein the

curable organic polymer (d) is an organic based polymer having a reactive silicon group.

9. (Previously Presented): The two-pack type curable composition according to claim 7 or

8, wherein the curable organic polymer (d) is at least one compound selected from the group

consisting of polyoxyalkylene based copolymers, hydrocarbon based polymers, polyester based

polymers, acrylic acid ester based polymers, graft polymers, polysulfide based polymers, polyamide

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based polymers, polycarbonate based polymers and diallyl phthalate based polymers.

10. (Previously presented): The two-pack type curable composition according to claim 9, wherein the polyoxyalkylene based polymer has a repeating unit represented by a general formula (5):

$$-R^{1}-O-$$
 (5)

(wherein R<sup>1</sup> represents a bivalent organic group).